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COUNCIL IS GENEROUS

Asks Public to Attend the Meeting.

COUNCIL IS DETERMINED

To Come to Understanding With Water Company.

No Citizen Barred From Listening to Discussion Between Councilmen and Company Officials.

The city council is willing to take the public into its confidence in the negotiations with the Marion City Water company, according to a statement made this morning by a prominent official. Recognizing the fact that anything which is done relative to the water company's franchise will be of utmost importance to the citizens the council has decided to throw its meetings with the water company officials open to the public.

The first of these meetings will take place this evening, when some effort will be made to come to some understanding with the water company. No citizen will be barred from listening to the discussion among the councilmen and the company's officials.

The council has not decided upon any definite demands or requests which are to be placed before the water company, it is stated. It is the intention of the council, however, to see that any new franchise which may be granted is more liberal to the city than is the one now in the records.

It is a well-known fact, generally recognized among the city officials, that the present franchise is a deplorably weak document, which allows the water company to do practically as it desires (without any molestation from the authorities). This is evidenced by the manner in which the company has repeatedly torn up the paved streets and neglected to make proper repairs, although ordered to do so by the council and the board of public service.

Another illustration of the fact that the company has the upper hand is the utter negligence and indifference which has been displayed in the laying of water mains. Although the council has ordered a great many mains put down during the past eighteen months, not one of the improvements has been made.

"It is absolutely necessary for the council to get together and see that something is done," says Councilman W. J. Gorton. "There are now many sections of the city which have no water for fire protection, and with the company refusing to supply the water, conditions are certainly alarming. There should be some way in which a remedy can be effected and effected right away."

Councilman Seiter is one of the councilmen who think that the water company, by neglecting to lay water mains and in other ways giving signs of its independence, is playing a game of some sort to either force a new franchise out of the council or to sell the plant to the municipality for a neat figure.

Whatever may be the designs of the water company, if it really has any, the preliminary steps toward coming to some settlement of affairs will be taken at the meeting tonight. The council seems to be divided in its opinion as to whether it would be advisable to grant the company a new franchise at this time or to wait until the lapse of eight years, when the present franchise will expire.

The water company officials are anxious to get a new franchise at this time, their claim being that under the present franchise they are unable to secure money with which to make improvements. They say they are willing to grant the city any reasonable concessions.

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GENEVIEVE WAS INDOLENT

Would not Prepare Husband's Breakfast.

FINALLY LEFT HOME

To Take up Her Residence With Grandparents.

In Amended Petition Cressap Says Baldauf Practiced Fraud and Deception in Real Estate Deal.

Leonard W. Gundlach, defendant in a suit for divorce begun in the court of common pleas by Genevieve Gundlach, filed an answer and cross-petition today through his attorney, Homer Metzgar. He charges his wife with being indolent and careless, claiming that she continually remained in bed over time and neglected to prepare his breakfast before he started to work. Not only that, but frequently he would return at noon and find her still in bed.

The defendant also charges his wife with being extravagant, running up bills at the different stores when she knew that his salary was not sufficient to pay them. He said that he spent all of his wages trying to provide a comfortable home for his wife and child and even went in debt in order to make them happy. When Gundlach remonstrated against his wife's extravagance, she paid no attention to him, he said. In fact, he declares, she lent herself to the influence of her grandparents and mother rather than to him.

In November, 1906, the defendant relates, his wife left their home in Clyde to visit her grandparents in Marion. Since then she has not returned. She was with her their one-year-old child, Rachel.

Mr. and Mrs. Gundlach were married in Clyde, May 11, 1904. The defendant denies that his wife is now a resident of Marion, as she claims in her petition. He asks for a divorce and custody of the child.

William R. Cressap, plaintiff in a suit for damages against John Baldauf, filed an amended petition in the court of common pleas, this morning. Through his attorneys, DeGolley & DeGolley, he reiterates the charges made in the original petition. Cressap charges that Baldauf practiced fraud and deception in engineering a real estate deal. Cressap owned lot No. 3100 in Eden Park addition and Baldauf owned a couple of lots which he said were located on Jefferson street. Baldauf agreed to give these two lots in exchange for Cressap's property and \$350. Baldauf agreeing to pay a \$400 mortgage on the Cressap lot.

According to the claims in the amended petition, Baldauf took Cressap out on Jefferson street and showed him two fine lots located on high ground, representing them to be his property. The trade was made and Cressap, according to his story, later found that Baldauf had deeded him a couple of lots on Kentucky avenue valued at about \$75 each. He asks for \$500 damages.

Twelve-year-old David McMurtrie Rayl was given into the custody of his father, John E. Rayl of Galion, by Judge Young of the court of common pleas, Thursday morning. This action on the part of the court came thirty days after the legal fight for possession of the boy began. A month ago, shortly after the boy's mother died, Judge Young gave the little fellow into his father's care for thirty days, with instructions that at the expiration of that time he should be brought into court for a final decision.

The boy was given to his father until further orders from the court, which means that should any complaint ever be received, the little fellow may be given to other relatives.

The judge gave his decision after having permitted the boy to express his preferences. The lad was to all appearances well-satisfied and expressed the wish to be sent back with his father.

Rayl's efforts to get the boy were opposed by the little fellow's grandfather, David McMurtrie, of New York city.

A suit for divorce against Lulu Northrup, a resident of Prospect, has been brought in the common pleas court of Erie county by Orlando Northrup, an inmate of the Sandusky Soldiers' home.

Northrup says at the time he and the defendant were married, Mrs. Northrup was living with her step-son, William Eversole, at Prospect. Northrup says that he pre-

pared a nice home for his wife, but she refused to live in it, saying that she preferred to reside with Eversole. Then Northrup went to take up his abode in the soldier's home.

The plaintiff says that since he entered the soldier's home, his wife has filed an application to secure half of his pension. He seeks to have the court restrain her from securing the money.

The indictment against Earnest E. Cleveland, a former saloonist charged with selling intoxicating liquors to minors, was nolleed Thursday morning by Judge B. G. Young. The action was taken on account of lack of evidence.

The civil action of Eliza Day against Charles F. Koch was dismissed Thursday morning by Judge Young. Costs are to be paid by the plaintiff.

Judge Young Thursday morning dismissed the civil action of Eliza Longacre against John E. Dutton and others. Costs are against the plaintiff.

The civil action of Cassius E. Morris against Vernon Worline and others was dismissed without prejudice, Thursday.

The divorce suit of Catharine Ingle against Matthias Ingle has been assigned for hearing Saturday morning. A large number of witnesses have been subpoenaed and it is expected that the hearing will be hotly contested. This will be one of the few divorce litigations that have been contested during the past few years.

The date for hearing the damage suit of Maria H. Plank against the Marion Railway Light and Power company has been changed from April 16 to April 15.

The damage suit of John Aldrich against Clara Almendinger, assigned for April 15, has been continued until the next term of court.

CIRCUS HAS COMFORTS

Forepaugh and Sella Bros. Add to Pleasure of Guests

There is no circus in America that gives such sincere attention to the convenience and comfort of visitors as the Forepaugh and Sella Bros. show, which comes to Marion on Monday, April 22. Much money has been spent by the management in the introduction of new devices in seats and a thorough system of handling crowds both of which have added greatly to the comfort of the attendants. Uniformed and obliging attaches are stationed in the main tent to direct patrons, and also in the menagerie to answer all questions about the many strange animals.

A popular concert during the hour between the opening of the doors and the beginning of the regular program is given by an excellent band of fifty musicians, thus adding to the enjoyment of the day. To insure perfect safety to the crowds during parade and performances, a corps of professional detectives is carried to keep the streets and the grounds absolutely free from all objectionable characters.

The Forepaugh and Sella Bros. circus has now attained such size that no other circus can compare with it. It employs 1,200 people and travels on a train more than a mile long. It has in round numbers 500 horses, as many other animals and more than one-half the elephants in America. The circus maintains its own hotel, where 3,000 meals are served every day, has its own postoffice, barber shop, laundry, carpenter shop, general store, paint shop, gas plant, blacksmith shop, hospital and repair shop and its own police force, lawyer, doctors, dentist, shoemaker and tailors.

Not least among the many conveniences is the downtown ticket sale, where reserved seats and admissions are sold at regular ticket-wagon prices. In Marion this branch sale will be located at Strayer Bros., Drug Store.

ARM FRACTURED

Mrs. Arthur Craven of Fountain Street Badly Injured.

Mrs. Arthur Craven of Fountain street sustained a compound fracture of the right arm above the wrist, Wednesday evening at 6 o'clock when she slipped and fell on a stone walk at her home. While carrying a bucket of water she lost her footing and fell heavily on the right arm, badly impairing the bones.

Dr. H. J. Lower was summoned and rendered necessary surgical attention.

PROBATE COURT NOTES

Emanuel M. Shensman has been appointed administrator of the estate of Dora Belle Shensman.

RUNAWAY LAD IS ARRESTED

Robert Benyon of Columbus is Held Here.

FATHER IS NOTIFIED

Shole's Wife Expected to Pay Fine Assessed.

Erie Officials Inform Mayor That They are Considering Plan for Lowering Their Tracks.

Robert Benyon, of 1413 North High street, Columbus, a lad of twelve years, who ran away from home on Tuesday, is being held by the local police, awaiting the arrival of an officer to return him to Columbus.

Young Benyon and a companion started out to seek their fortunes, and got as far as Upper Sandusky. After spending a cold night outdoors, they concluded that there is no place like home after all, and started back to the capital city. Benyon had ten cents, and his companion had a dollar. The former bought a ticket for a ride to Morral, while the latter bought one good to Columbus. The conductor carried Benyon through to this city where he turned him over to the police.

John Shole, of Columbus, was arrested last night by Officers Travis and Wilhelm last night for drunkenness. He promised to pay a \$5 fine and was released.

Mayor Scherff has been notified by H. O. Dunkle, general superintendent of the Erie, that the chief engineer of the company is considering the plan of lowering the railroad tracks through this city. He will be ready in a short time to confer with the local committee appointed to take the question up with the railroad companies.

Society Notes

Miss Clara Mann and Mr. Edward Kunz were married at 7 o'clock, Wednesday evening, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Mann, on North Main street. The ceremony was performed by Rev. D. H. Bailey, pastor of the Epworth M. E. church, and was witnessed by a company of relatives and intimate friends of the young people.

Miss Alta Kunz, sister of the groom, acted as bridesmaid, and Mr. Ned Parschall was best man. Following the ceremony, an excellent wedding dinner was served.

Both the bride and groom are estimable young people of wide acquaintance. The groom is employed as a stone cutter.

Mr. and Mrs. Kunz will make their home with the groom's parents Mr. and Mrs. John Kunz, in East Marion.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the United Brethren church held a monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. A. Rice on St. Mary's street, Wednesday afternoon, and heard excellent reports from the various officers. Following the business meeting, refreshments were served.

The society will meet the first Wednesday of May at the home of Mrs. D. G. Felty on Orchard street.

The Fortnightly club was pleasantly entertained yesterday afternoon by Mrs. Fred Stroebel of South Prospect street. The time was spent with games and music. Many

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MAIN AND CENTER ST.

refreshments were served by the hostess. The decorations were in keeping with the Easter season.

The guests of the club on this occasion were Mrs. J. H. Dundore, Mrs. B. F. Schurz, Mrs. J. U. Boyer, Mrs. Harry Krause, Mrs. J. W. Hungate, Mr. A. C. Court, Mrs. H. O. Dunn, Mrs. Charles Krane, Mrs. Charles Haberman, Mrs. Charles Gompf, Mrs. William Lee, Mrs. Henry Dibert, Mrs. Carol May and Mrs. William Tracy.

Mrs. Henry Waggoner, of North Main street, will next entertain the club.

The T. B. F. club enjoyed a dance last night in the Tally Wag hall. Dowler's orchestra furnishing the music. Fifteen couples attended.

Mrs. J. F. Dombagh, of South Greenwood street, pleasantly entertained the members of the Embroidery club last evening. The time was spent with needlework and dainty refreshments served. Miss Thompson was the only guest of the club.

The club will be next entertained by Mrs. O. S. Rapp, of East Center street.

Miss Blanche Miller, of Bellevue avenue, was pleasantly surprised last night by about twenty friends, in honor of her twenty-first birthday anniversary. After greetings had been exchanged, the evening was spent with music and dancing. Nice refreshments were served. The hostess was presented with a number of handsome remembrances by her admiring guests.

The charming hospitality of the Delta Alpha Epsilon high school fraternity was dispensed yesterday evening at the Tally Wag hall when the members entertained their lady friends at a reception and dance. Dowler's orchestra rendered a program of eighteen dances and twenty couples passed an evening of delightful entertainment.

At the home of his parents on East Center street Mr. Paul Blair entertained a company of friends, Wednesday evening. The house was prettily decorated with ferns and the favors were of white and pink carnations.

The hours were spent at music and games. At ten o'clock an elegant two course luncheon was served by Mrs. Blair.

Those present were: Misses Ethel O'Connor, Alice Gabriel, Cleo Wolfe, Wealthy Fatzler, Lidia Lee, Pauline Wolfe, Corine Bindley, Masters Clara Davis, Charles

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White Lawn	25c and 48c	Lace Pillow Shams	10c, 25c, 48c
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